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TO AND FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Beyond Equalism-To Feminism

By Janice Savage

It came to pass that after the women of Canada stood up and said "let us be counted", and on August 26, 1920, Canadian women were given the right to vote. The suffrage movement of the mid nineteenth century had been successful in establishing women as valuable members of society. Since that time the feminist movement has grown in its popularity, determination and conviction.

As the cause began to pick up steam, feminists became louder, and prouder, proclaiming themselves in a bombardment of demonstrations, banners and propaganda reminiscent of the socialist movement.

Radical feminism has gone beyond the straight figured, cigarette smoking "Flappers" of the 1920's. Today's radical is not just a pretty face. She has hopped on the bandwagon of the "politically correct." She lobbies the government for legislation that will ensure that she will receive precedence over her male counterpart when applying for a job. She formally addresses a "manhole" using gender neutral terminology.

Over the last decade, the term "feminist" has come to connote a hard hitting "affirmative action" type of women who is bound and determined to protect the gains that she, and the entire feminist movement achieved. This, in itself, is quite admirable. But when it is coupled with a hatred for men, a paranoia about the presence of men in positions of authority and a belief in female superiority there emerges a kind of radical reverse sexism.

A recent press release from the Communications Department at Laurentian University, regarding the white ribbon campaign, stated "There's no secret enemy pulling the trigger. No unseen virus that leads to death. It's just men. Men from all social back-

grounds and of all colours and ages. Men in business suits and men in blue collars. Men who plant the fields and men who sell furniture." While I support the white ribbon campaign vehemently, I do not support the sexist and racist generalizations stated about men.

As a woman, who has become hesitant to proclaim herself a feminist, I feel it is time we stood up for the men who have become victims of the small population of females with a tendency to over react. On November 16th at Media Panel in

Women's Studies in Gail Emmerton's class, Kim Pluffe, a staff writer from the Northern

Life, said "53 per cent of the population gets oppressed by the rest." This is just simply not true. The generalization of such proportions is like saying that all blacks are drug dealers! Yet it is coming from one of our local journalism

exist against enemies that they have created.

Feminism has to regain its original focus. Equality is the issue at hand and current policies do not reflect the movement travelling in that direction. For example, men have found themselves turned down for jobs that they never had the chance to get. Why? Affirmative action legislation has blocked access because of hiring quotas imposed to insure "equal opportunity". We have to take a step backwards from feminism, to equalism.

So, what is equalism? The equalist recognizes that a percentage of men have violent tendencies towards women and acknowledges that all responsible members of society should be sensitized to this fact. She does not, however, declare war on all men. The equalist believes in receiving equal pay for equal work, but still likes to have doors opened for her when she goes out for dinner. The equalist recognizes that the word "history", ("his" being the operative

syllable,) is merely an ideosyncrasy of the english language and is not meant to be defamatory or insulting to past

generations of women. The truth of the matter is radical feminists are doing themselves more harm than good. Men and womyn (yes, that is the politically correct way to spell it) both agree that the movement has taken off too far in the wrong direction. Making men our allies will undoubtedly make it easier to achieve equality. Isolating men and declaring them our enemies will only prolong the feminist paranoia.

"EQUALITY IS THE ISSUE AT HAND"

"FEMINISTS ARE FIGHTING A WAR THAT DOES NOT EXIST AGAINST ENEMIES THAT THEY HAVE CREATED"

professionals.

While it would be a travesty to undermine the problems of wife abuse and sexual assault in our society, we can not blame all men for the women being created by a few. Women are not at war with men. Nor does the greater male population believe that manhood "require(s) blood to be spilled". How can feminists commit themselves to full equality, when they are fighting a war that does not



"So you don't want to come over to my place, then?"

Extremely Offended

I am extremely offended by the depiction of me totting a gun in your last issue of Lambda. (Thurs. Dec. 3rd.)

First, I am by conviction a pacifist, and the suggestion that I rule by force is both untrue and very painful. Second, it shows remarkably bad judgement on your part to portray gun-slinging yahoos threatening violence in an issue of the paper devoted to the White Ribbon campaign.

I trust you will apologize to your readers.

Paddy Blenkinsop
Coordinator of Student Services.

The intention of Lambda's staff was not to depict, or suggest in any manner, that you are ruling by force, nor should anyone automatically make an association that someone holding a gun is a gun-slinging yahoo threatening violence. The purpose of giving you the appearance of a marksman was to emphasize the professional commitment that you have given to the coordinating of various diverse groups of the university in a common goal of improving this community and student life in general. The kind of marksmanship used by Olympic athletes since the beginning of the century. The purpose of the cover was to get the students acquainted with the members of the student body and the administration!

Piotr Przychodzki Editor-In-Chief

Hockey Vee Fan

I am writing with regards to the Laurentian Hockey Vees. I attended their home game on Sunday November 28th at the Sudbury Arena. I was disturbed by the lack of support shown to them by our school.

It seems as if we have a double standard as far as our varsity teams are concerned. With the continuous support shown to the basketball, soccer, volleyball and swim teams, I feel as if the Hockey Vees have been forgotten somewhere along the way.

With Sudbury being a hockey town, I am shocked by the small turnout the team gets. Given their limited home game schedule, it is sad to think that when they do play here, there is such a minimal following.

It is bad enough that the team is continuously snubbed by the Sudbury media and lacks the press coverage of the other teams but to be ignored by their fellow students is pathetic. After all, most teams excel when they are surrounded by the support and cheers of their fans.

Sincerely,
One of a few (and obviously insignificant) fans

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NEWS



THE SGA REPORT

Merry Christmas everyone! Especially to those who have exams on the 23rd of December. Not that it makes any difference, but I have 2 exams that day. With such a situation, it makes you wonder if the schedule was made with me in mind. After all, I lead the Student rally for exam schedules in October and am more than pleased with the participation we had allowing us to finally get some action out of our administration.

The end result was copies of the schedule 8 days later, October 30th. Those of us who needed to make plans for the holidays greatly appreciated the results and once again thank those who participated. Yet, with all said and done the battle wasn't over. Mr. Jack Porter, was in the process of setting next years Christmas timetable well in advance. The new problem arising was the fact that the exam period was going to end on or about the 23rd of December again next year. With such advance planning in the Registrar's office it was too late to address this years schedule. However,

because we made the administration aware of the situation and the fact that students are not second rate citizens, next years exam schedule will NOT have the same problem of ending at 10:00pm on the 23rd as it does for many of us this year. So good luck on your finals, and if you get stranded in this desolate city for Christmas Dr. Ross Paul (the President of Laurentian), lives in the biggest house on John Street. I'm sure, that he'd love dinner guests. Oh! He also listens to Stompp'n Tom on occasion, eh Shannon.

To get back on track, last week we did not have an SGA meeting, so Andy has nothing to report. Shall I continue? (a general pause amongst the populous) Ok, great!

Without any spare time to go Christmas shopping this year, the SGA has a great stocking stuffer. In addition, while you're in the office ask Michelle for your Blue Cross card and help yourself to a candy cane. The SGA office will be open until 4:30pm on the 23rd.

Just a few reminders; return

all your library books before you head home for the holidays. (Wow, I get 11 days off.)

Just an aside. Three weeks ago Nippissing University College received its Charter as a degree granting institution, meaning that they are no longer associated with Laurentian. As a result, we now have a rival Northern school and I'm forming a Laurentian team to enter their Winter Carny event. (Which is only a weekend, as compared to our superior one week affair in January). All of you who are interested in kicking the butts of Canada's newest University, call the office and leave me your phone number (for school and home). I can't wait to read Maclean's next year and find us up a notch!

So, have a great holiday and don't eat any yellow snow!
Best Wishes from the SGA/AGE,
Sincerely,
Simon Chapelle VP. External

Merry Christmas From the News Department

Another year has come and gone and Lambda finds itself half way through its publishing season. At this time of universal reflection we realize that without the support of the readership it would be impossible to publish a newspaper like Lambda every week.

The editors would also like to thank everyone who has contributed to the news pages over the past editions and encourage everyone to get involved in the new year. We've seen the department grow by leaps and bounds and we are excited about our prospects

in 1993.

All of us from the news department would like to take this opportunity to set aside the blood, sweat and tears we have experienced over the last 14 issues and wish students, staff and faculty the best this holiday season. Have a Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year!

And, oh, don't do anything WE wouldn't publish!!!
Sincerely:

Chris Jose Barnes - News Editor
Janice Savage - Assistant News Editor

What Can Excellent Students Tell Us About How They Learn?

by Anne Vaillancourt

A study presented by Patrick Grassick and Robert A. Hall of the University Counseling Services of Calgary was made on how low excellent senior undergraduate students approach university studies. In general, this is what they showed:

1) There is considerable diversity in the way that students organize and conduct themselves as students. Many of them see themselves as studying in the way they are "supposed to", even given their clear success in academic pursuits.

2) The students all demonstrated a high degree of interest, enthusiasm, even passion for their chosen program. Many see themselves as life-long students and look forward to careers in colleges and universities.

3) While most students did not study in formal study groups, all indicated a high degree of interaction with students in their fields.

4) Many students had been profoundly affected by teachers who took an active mentoring role with them. Most students reported that they took initiative in this regard by asking questions in class, seeking out their instructors outside of lectures or even

having casual interactions that occurred as a function of a common room or club office.

5) These students are acutely aware of their audience. They studied their professors, and they try to match their approach to meet the cognitive and intellectual demands of each discipline.

6) The students have methods, they know what they are, and they proactively determine when and how these methods will be applied in each course. They have impressive self-knowledge about how they work best.

7) These students work very hard, they react to difficulties and errors as obstacles to be overcome, and they really want to do and be their best.

Many extremely successful students simply do not behave the way that we tell them they should, while some are models of the conventional study skills wisdom.

If any form of "study skills" does concern or worry you, please feel free to drop by the Student Services, here, at Laurentian University, because we may have just the right information (pamphlets, books, audio and video tapes) to help you in your future studies. Our office is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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Wally

One more year and you'll be driven my Mercedes. Our tactical plans include ideas and motives that no one will ever imagine. Somewhere in our strategic plans include each other as friends and cohorts. Take care and only worry about immediate plans because they will be fulfilled within the next six months. (Yes I did spell that wrong. I only get that from reading your stuff continuously).

Take Care and have a great Christmas!!
Sammy

In the NAFTAmath...



Canadian Federation of Students

OPINION

The Legions of Decency

by Steven Martinovich

"The real Nazis run your school
They're coaches, businessmen and cops
In a real Forth Reich you'll be the first to go"

- "Nazi Punks Fuck Off"
Dead Kennedys

The 1960's marked the first time that academic freedom was for students as well as the professors that taught at the universities. Some of us are familiar with the free speech movement at Berkeley University, and the fight for freedom of speech that before was only a paper right. You might think that those freedoms are now guaranteed, that no one would dare touch them. You're wrong.

But whom should we be worried about? Who is this foe that would steal our precious right to speak what we may feel is the truth? The obvious answer is the narrow-minded right-wing which also includes our hyper-religious friends who speak to God. But our greater foes are those who used to be on our side, the moderatley left-wing. It is they who are flexing their muscle to remove "indecent" things from our speech and even our thoughts (a la "Clockwork Orange").

First we'll deal with the right-wing. They shouldn't be dismissed lightly. Populations in general seem to be conservative things, which is why the religious right often scores successes against free speech. Hiding their agenda under catch-phrases like "Moral Majority" and "Family Values" they often mangle to remove elements of free speech. In Cincinnati soon-to-be ex-President Bush agreed with religious right-wing extremists who objected to the U.S. government partly subsidizing an exhibit of Mapplethorpe photos. Mapplethorpe, a homosexual, photographed homoerotic scenes and the collection was being displayed in a Cincinnati museum. Granted, this stuff isn't for everyone, but the religious right-wing decided that they should be the ones to decide for us all. In Colorado City, Arizona, a 14 year old was expelled from school because he had the Batman character The Penguin on his T-shirt. The principal complained that the shirt was a sign of "devil worship". They demand that the Lord's Prayer be read in every classroom each morning. They target "offensive" books in our libraries, such as books on evolution theory. They wish to be rid of "bad speech", anything criticizing the Christian God or belief system, and ultimately any history of Christianity that presents anything other than a good side.

The ultra-religious right can often be un-masked for what it is.

It is a collection of mindless dogooder robots who swallow everything their ultra-religious "high-priests" tell them. They have no wish to allow people with divergent opinions be heard. They are against any other religion other than Christianity and nothing you can do or say will convince them. They seek to make everyone follow their own commandments. Fortunately, this segment of society has been shown to be rather hypocritical. Their leaders have found that screwing church secretaries and fondling \$20 prostitutes are not commandments in the bible.

What we have to fear is the left-wing. Their motto is such, "A decent society requires limits to its free expression, and if that means diminishing free speech, the will of the majority must rule". It sounds reasonable doesn't it? We all realize that there must be some limits, no one wants slander and libel to be legal. But this isn't what they mean when they mouth this slogan.

The Politically Correct (PC) movement is harmless in comparison to what they really want. Sure being PC generally means calling fat people "Horizontally Challenged", or welfare housing "Subsidized Housing" and we should fight this cancer, but it doesn't stop there. As Canetta Ivy, former head of one of the student governments at Stanford University said, "We don't put as many restrictions on freedom of speech as we should." Remember, this was a student from Cali-



one to speak on a Palestinian homeland, could Jews have him removed for creating a hostile environment? If they invited a spokesman from B'nai B'rith to speak, could Christians and Muslims demand his or her removal? What about pictures of naked women? Could feminists claim

that the work is sexist and creating a hostile environment? Sure can. Anything you do or say can be used against you.

Will students soon fear exploring some lines of

thought in the classroom because they may be labeled racist? If we scratch one word, where do we stop? Language is our shield, as well as our weapon. I can't help but feel that these people are afraid of the words and the ideas and can't fight back effectively. Malcolm X talked about the need for young people to use the spoken word as a weapon and to fight back. No matter what you think of Malcolm X, those words of wisdom are true.

These people are ultimately attempting to ban ideas. They believe if you can't express racist or controversial ideas, then they will soon die out leaving a sanitized society where no one could possibly have their feelings hurt by something someone has written or said. We can't murder intellectual freedom because we are afraid of some group taking offense to what we are saying.

Laurentian University's policy is remarkably good. It contains almost no broad statements which could mean anything. Almost no statements. Article II of LU's Race Relations Policy says, "The University will continue to take an active role in the elimination of all racial discrimination, including those policies and practices which, while not intentionally discriminatory, have a discriminatory effect." The one thing that makes me sleepless at night is the phrase, "while not intentionally discriminatory, have a discriminatory effect." What exactly does this mean? This is ambiguous at best, but overall the policy is fair and

avoids hampering free speech.

There is a re-writing of the policy to occur soon, hopefully it will tighten the language up. Why, you may be asking, is this a contentious issue for me? What if you offer comments in class about a particular faith or ethnic group which, while not complimentary, is entirely true and a member of that group presses charges on you for racism? It is important not to gag free speech on the off chance that someone's delicate sensitivities will be hurt.

I guess my point is this, if we start limiting free speech in universities (the supposed beacons of knowledge) than we can't call it free speech. We cannot start limiting the greatest expression of human thought or we will limit ourselves. Afraid of new thoughts, we will return to the claustrophobic Victorian Age where ideas that are not "proper" are to be silenced. Fortunately for us, this movement doesn't seem to have made great in-roads into Canada yet...YET. But as sure as Timothy Leary will come up with another way to have a psychedelic experience, the limiters of free speech will come marching in.

It's already started down south in Ontario...you can hear the rumblings of groups who don't like a particular exhibit because it shows photographs of white women teaching African women how to use wash boards, or Jewish scholars being attached for their views on Christianity, banning of shirts with slogans, etc. It's only time before they reach us up here.

The purpose of this article is to warn you and prepare you for the fight, if you care about free speech. If you do care, then fight this PC crap and speak up and speak out for free speech, if Berkeley won't fight for free speech, then Laurentian hopefully will. Remember, we do have a student newspaper, use it as your weapon.

"To be nice person it is necessary to be protected from crude contact with reality... The chief characteristic of nice people is the laudable practice of improvement upon reality. God made the world, but nice people feel that they could have done the job better."

- "Nice People"
Bertrand Russell

WE CANNOT START LIMITING THE EXPRESSION OF HUMAN THOUGHT...

fornia speaking.

It all stems from growing racism in our society. Although the economy is partly to blame (sociologists maintain that during rough economic times racism increases because people are in fear of their jobs), I think we've all noticed that there are more stories on the 6 o'clock news than ever before about growing racism, whether it's trashing Jewish graves and synagogues or whites and blacks fighting in Maritime school yards. It is sad to see that racism is on the rise, but the solutions that some have come up with are wrong.

Victimized university students across Canada and the United States have demanded codes of conducts. While banning someone from using racial, cultural or religious epithets is proper, you can also be expelled for words that create an intimidating or hostile environment for educational pursuits. These codes, "Thou shalt not speak" codes (as Nat Henoff has called them,) are often so broad that one doesn't know what is fair and what is not.

If a university invited some-

Merry Christmas To A Special Bunch of Folks

They are the little known, often seen, very quiet heros of the campus. They watch over our dorms, they check on the student center late at night, and, yes, they even help us out when we've locked our keys in our cars. They answer our calls for help twenty-four hours a day. Although they have put up with their share of people demanding to be let into the office and illegal parking jobs, they still come and check up on us.

All of us at Lambda would like to extend the very warmest of wishes to the security staff. Have a great holiday season, and rest assured that you will not find the staff slumped over in their office chairs behind the glowing screen of a word processor at 3 a.m. for at least a couple of weeks.

Merry Christmas and thanks for caring!

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NEWS



OSAP - ADJUSTING TO A DIFFICULT FISCAL REALITY.

By: Janice Savage

As of September, 1993, students will no longer be eligible for OSAP grants. Colleges and University Minister Richard Allen announced that OSAP grants will be cut while there will be an increase in the amount of loan money available. In fact, an additional \$132 million will be allocated to OSAP funding.

Aid, in the form of OSAP, has increased 66 per cent over the last two years. In these difficult economic times the Ontario government has found itself unable to keep up with this rate of growth. The aims of these current changes is to help the maximum number of students as much as possible. These changes have been outlined by the Ontario government as follows:

- OSAP students will not receive grants, but there will be increased accessibility to loans. Students who borrow more than \$5,570 will not have to pay back anything over that amount for the year. Bursaries will be available for those incurring child-care expenses or special needs due to disabilities.

- A total of \$800 million will be available for those in need of financial assistance, (an addition of \$132 million)

- For those who are making \$20,100 or less after graduation help will be available, for paying off 100% of interest on provincial loans. Partial help will be available for those making between \$20,100 and \$35,000. This assistance will still be available

for up to 18 months.

- The amount of money available for students taking academic upgrading programs will double to \$5.4 million. The extra money will be going to groups who have been found to be in need of assistance, for example, Aboriginal students, francophones, persons with disabilities, people who receive social assistance, sole-support parents and visible minorities.

- The Ontario Work-Study Program will also be doubled to \$5.4 million and the additional funds will be allocated using similar criteria academic upgrading funds.

While it is plausible that proposed changes will increase the number of students that are eligible for financial assistance, there has been a great deal of opposition from the students.

Attention to these changes is being paid far beyond the Ontario borders. The Student's Union of Nova Scotia wrote a letter to The Honorable Richard Allen stating that "the combination of a substantial increase in tuition fees and switching from grants to loans under OSAP spells a major setback in the goal of accessibility to higher education for all students..." The letter goes on to state that these changes mean the raising of barriers that will act as a deterrent to many students.

But, according to Dr. David Robinson of Laurentian's economics department, there is no evidence to suggest that cutbacks will have such an effect. "The price elasticity for education is not high,"

he said. He continued to say that school is an investment; those who are confident that they will see returns for their education will be building up the debt. Those who are not sure it will pay will be squeezed out.

There is a feeling, in some sectors that students are already receiving a free ride. Post-secondary education is subsidized to the tune of about 80%. Those who do enrol in post secondary education are largely from upper income levels and can expect to see a substantial return from their college of university investment. Grant money has not been effectively allocated to those in need.

Dr. Robinson identifies two major factors in the decision to

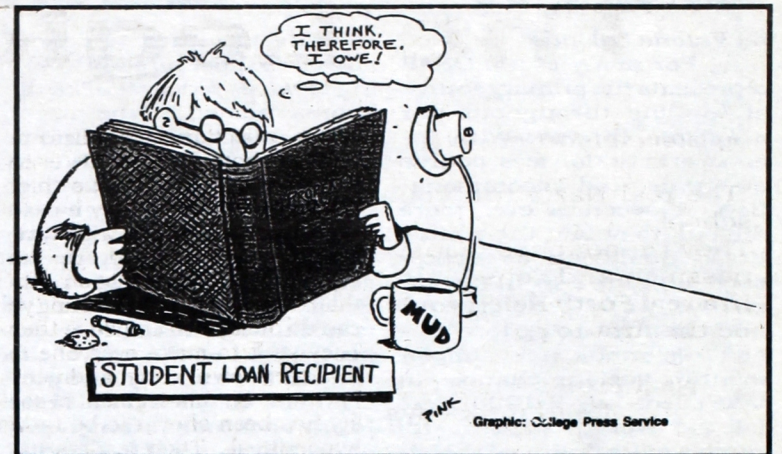
Are You Going Home for Christmas?

by DSV & SKJ

As the season of Goodwill and merriment approaches, many students here at Laurentian are already becoming restless. And the out-of-town students are itching to venture back to their home-city, town, village, or proverbial general store to enjoy this festive season with loved ones. But why are some of us really going home?

If you're not sure what I mean, I give you **The Top 15 Reasons for Going Home for Christmas.**

15. You kept all these goddamn Top 10 lists and have to tell someone who hasn't read them yet.
14. Your Classics' prof. has told you there's no Santa Claus, and you have to break it to mom and dad.
13. You're the only one from your town here at Laurentian and you want to go back and make yourself look good.
12. Your best friend owes you



cut grants. Namely, "where will they cut back, and from whom." This decision may have been the result of a government that feels

they are facing a disaster, and students, will have to accept the fact that they will have to bear a little bit more of the cost.

\$100.00.

11. You want to see real snow.
10. You want to use the wash-room alone.
9. Your sibling says that "for some reason your favorite sweater has been misplaced."
8. Your refrigerator is empty.
7. Your Bank account is empty.
6. Even the parents' car is better than Public Transit.

5. You want to go back and say 'hi' to all your College friends.
4. Sudbury is a lot colder than you thought.
3. You have to check on 'What's her name' and the kid (and explain about support.)
2. You haven't had a decent meal since Thanksgiving.
1. You just want to go make sure that your parents haven't moved.

Season's Greetings... Yeah, Christmas is here, blah, blah, blah — what an over-rated season. Hell, half the population ends up broke by the time it's over — that's certainly something to be cheerful about.

Seriously, Christmas is a time of love and sharing. Often this meaning is lost amidst the ruckus of social ills. Wipe that frown off your haggard face and substitute it for a smile. Even if you're not truly happy, smile anyways — it looks better. Merry Christmas boys and girls. Have a good one.

— Diane

Sidik, Assist. Ent. Editor

OSAP

Changes Next September

Why OSAP is Changing

- Government costs are growing, but our income is going down because of the recession.
- Every year, more students need OSAP. The amount of assistance over the last two years has gone up by two thirds.

More Loans, Fewer Grants

- We can give more money to more students if they pay more back when they finish their studies and are earning a salary.
- So next fall, the average student will get more assistance than before, but a bigger portion of

the assistance will have to be paid back.

Making Education More Accessible

- By going to loans, we can help more students and increase accessibility.
- Total financial aid available will increase from \$668 million to \$800 million to postsecondary students.
- OSAP will cover tuition fee increases for 1993-94.
- \$11 million will be available in bursaries that don't have to be paid back. They are for disabled students and for sole-support parents and married students with child-care costs.

- On the average, students who borrow more than \$5,570 a year won't have to pay back anything over that amount for that year.
- Students will still have up to 9 1/2 years to pay back their loans after they graduate.
- These changes will take effect July 1, 1993.

In January, you'll be able to pick up a publication in the Financial Aid Offices of all colleges and universities that will give you more details on the changes coming next fall.

You can also call this toll-free number **1-800-265-8529**

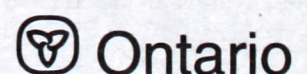
Financial Help for Students

The Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP) gives money to students who need help paying for a postsecondary education.

OSAP helped 137,500 students in 1992.

That's almost four out of every ten students in Ontario.

More than 80% of the cost of your education is paid for by the government.



MORE OPINIONS

OSAP At Laurentian

by Valerie Lalonde

For many of us, OSAP represents the primary source of funding throughout our academic careers. With increases in tuition fees, course materials, and accommodation, it becomes ever more difficult to obtain the educational qualifications necessary to survive in this competitive world. The government is attempting to alleviate this problem by implementing various changes to take effect July 1, 1993. Next fall the average student will receive more financial assistance, however, a larger portion will be in the form of loans. With this, let us not forget the 3% guarantee fee that is currently subject to all Canada Student Loans. Total financial aid will increase from \$668 million to \$800 million to postsecondary students. OSAP will also cover tuition fee increases for the 1993-1994 school year. A total of \$11 million in bursaries will be available through government funding, particularly for disabled students, sole-supporting parents, and married students with child-care costs. Through these changes the government hopes to make education more accessible. This is very encouraging for those individuals con-

sidering to return to school as well as those already working towards a degree. The dilemma created is whether or not to accept the loan knowing that it, of course, has to be returned. If you are one of the more fortunate ones to find employment after graduating it does not seem to pose a problem. In the present economic situation, however, it is not always realistic to expect a light at the end of the tunnel. Fortunately, the government allows 9 1/2 years to pay back loans after graduation. The interest free period is currently an issue being examined by the government.

Every year more students require financial assistance from OSAP. The government can be expected to provide some support, however, the onus is placed on the student as well as the parents of those students to contribute a greater amount to educational expenses. Several students are forced to seek employment while attending school which interferes with studying (and entertainment). The situation may seem bleak, but financial assistance is available. Look for these new changes that will be implemented next year which will be affecting all those applying for OSAP.

The Student Awards Office has provided a summary of the 1991-1992 OSAP reports:

Enrollment-(full-time only)*
4825
of applicants**
2538
receiving awards
2238
of nil awards
300
of reviews
445
Appeal Board cases
83

Amount of Loan
Canada Student Loan
5,064,493
Ontario Student Loan
1,192,208

Amount of Grant
Total Awards
4,347,257

Average of total awards
4,180
Percentage of students who applied 52.6
Percentage who received an award/compared to Enrollment-Applicants
46.4/88.1

* As of Nov. 1991 (includes 74 College de Hearst and 92 Universite Canadienne en France)

** Includes not registered, withdrawals, cancellations

FRENCH UNIVERSITY

by Pierre J. Perreault

In response to Mr. Reynold's (*Lambda*, Vol 31, number 12) "What About a French University in Sudbury?" I first wanted to explain to Mr. Reynolds the history of education rights of Franco-Ontarians since the early 1900's. However, the history is enormous and could fill several pages of *Lambda*.

One point in history we to understand is in the early 1900's. The Franco-Ontarian community had their own schools. Not paid or funded by the public purse, our schools were private. Suddenly, the Ontario government banned the teaching of French and French schools.

Schools were forced to teach in English and couldn't have a French class.

Mr. Reynolds believes that a

simple solution would be to just expand or improve existing institutions to accommodate Franco-Ontarian needs. However, universities being governed by Boards don't enjoy sharing their power and authority with what many consider a spoiled minority. Therefore, the maintaining and expansion of French language courses and programs would have to be approved by a body of people that, don't speak the language, nor understand its history and culture and has utter contempt for that culture.

Take for instance, the Board of Governors of Laurentian. There are many of these people that don't believe in bilingualism and the legitimate aspirations of the Franco-Ontarian community.

Therefore, Mr. Reynold's simple solution is just that - Simple - He doesn't take into consideration the history of the

Franco-Ontarian and can't understand their aspirations. The Franco-Ontarians didn't all wake up one morning and say collectively that they wanted and needed French language post secondary education for their needs and aspirations.

It has been a long and tiring exercise for the Franco-Ontarian community. We have to be patient for the last 80 years of experiments and compromise. No more!

In addition, the Franco-Ontarians are aware of the cost in building and maintaining a college or university. The federal government spends over 80 millions dollars in attempting to give francophones education in their language.

However, we still have nothing to show for it.

We believe we are able to do much better with some of that money. If

We have been Patient for the last 80 years... no more!

we use that money more wisely and more efficiently, then the amount every year could diminish and therefore be a saving for all Canadians. In this way we would have our institutions that answer to our needs and aspirations and become productive members of society and no longer be the poor children of confederation.

However, I do want to acknowledge and thank, Mr. Reynolds for his encouragement of the Franco-Ontarian community's educational needs. But he must truly understand our history, culture and aspirations before trying to solve a very complex and outstanding problem.

To make a decision, we must always look at the big picture. We must understand where someone is coming from. We must understand their culture and their history. The concept of what makes "more sense" is only relative.

Keep The Merry Ball Rolling



Blue Cross Facts

by Ted Clarke, President and Steve Smith, V.P., Finance

In the last issue of *Lambda* there appeared an article by Shannon Hickey entitled "Double (Blue) Crossed". Unfortunately the author did not research the topic prior to writing this article and consequently it is riddled with errors.

During the 1989-1990 academic year the SGA held a referendum amongst its membership to determine whether or not there was enough demand to warrant implementation of a mandatory extended health care program. The results of the referendum unquestionably supported such a program and in 1990-1991 the Blue Cross medical insurance was incorporated into the SGA fees.

This year the SGA has taken the savings available through Blue Cross one step further. An agreement has been negotiated with Plaza 69 Pharmacy to limit to all SGA students, with a Blue Cross card, a reduced dispensing fee of \$6.47; the average dispensing fee in Sudbury is between ten and eleven dollars.

The cost of the program is \$52.10 (not \$62.10), all of which is forwarded to Ontario Blue Cross regardless of the number of cards distributed from the SGA office. Therefore, if students fail to pick up their cards then it is Blue Cross that realizes a "large cash windfall" and not the SGA. Every year that the program has been in operation, advertising has been extensive. Each year information about the program (how it works, what it covers and where to get the Blue Cross card) has been included in the frosh kits given to every SGA first year student registering on registration day; this would, therefore, account for a huge majority of SGA students having, been directly informed about the program. In addition to this direct contact, there are Plaza 69 Pharmacy posters around campus reminding students that the Blue Cross cards can be picked up in the SGA office, it has been advertised on the LED boards in the Student Centre and the Pub, it was advertised in the 2000 handbooks that were distributed this fall, every representative on the SGA Board has been, on several occasions, directed to inform their constituents (this includes all residences, off-campus representatives, academic departments and clubs). As well, on four separate occasions the SGA set up booths to distribute these cards, once in the bowling alley and three times outside the Great Hall.

Not only have we made every attempt to advertise the program and provide every opportunity for students to obtain their cards we strongly encourage students to come into the office, whether it be to get their cards or to ask questions about anything to do with the University. We have no difficulty being challenged by any of the students we were elected to represent. In fact we applaud you for creating controversy and asking questions, something we feel *Lambda* has been lacking in this year. However, we do not find it appropriate for us to have to respond to an article which is flagrantly misleading, it is irresponsible of the author and of the editorial staff at *Lambda*.

* This article has been checked for spelling and grammatical errors and any such mistakes appearing upon publication are not the responsibility of the authors.

by Prof. A.S. McGregor
Dear Editor:

At this time of Peace and Goodwill, let me extend my warmest and heartfelt thanks and greetings to all my colleagues and swimmer Marc St. Aubin. The publicity you have given the soccer team and the three other jewels in Laurentian's athletic crown could not be bought at any price.

Odysseus (Hated of the Gods) says in *The Odyssey*, "Where shall I begin, where end my tale of woe". With five more or less literate letters attacking me and my statement of the merely obvious "Sports and the University level is about excellence and competitiveness", it is difficult to decide which of the five want to make the men's basketball team.

Marc St. Aubin emerges from his swimming pool to say how much he enjoys the controversy. Rick Carleton emerges from the showers to tell me that he has "gotten no satisfaction from this little 'confrontation'". Shows to go you gutsy guys "you can't please everyone".

Colleague Jeno Tihanyi emerges from the bottom of the

pool (where else would a lowly swim coach lurk?) to enlighten us on the difference between Laurentian University's swim program, and the Laurentian University Swim Club. On that issue Dr. Tihanyi leaves us none the wiser but no doubt somewhat better informed - or are we?

Mark Proulx emerges from merited obscurity to write a recipe column "EAT YOUR WORDS McGregor". Mark, will that be the Latin, the English or the French menu? Mark, in between mixed metaphors, confesses "I really don't care what some members of the Laurentian faculty or student body think of my sport". Relax Mark, we have not even given you or your sport a first let alone a second thought.

No. Mark Proulx and his recipe for eating words actually dishes us up a menu for mediocrity. This university can support at most four Varsity sports - the rest ought to be cut. It is ridiculous to fund Soccer at its present low level. It is absurd to have the finest coach in Canada's soccer, Greg Zorbas, drive a cramped van from Sudbury to Ottawa to Peter-

borough back to Sudbury and in between take on two very fine soccer squads. Laurentian deserves better. The soccer, and basketball teams ought to be given proper funding.

University of Winnipeg follows the four Varsity sports menu I have suggested. I know my fellow coaches will endorse this proposal and voluntarily cut their obscure, mediocre teams.

Next month I will be in Dublin Ireland on sabbatical. I hope this irenical discussion continues Mr. Editor. Please send me a subscription to *Lambda*, and I promise I will read it aloud in Slattery's pub to an appreciative audience of the boys from the I.R.A. Merry Christmas Jeno, Mark, Marc, Rick and the suitably anonymous author of the appropriately titled piece "In the Dark" - wherever you all may be.

In our international expansion we are more than willing to acquire an ever expanding readership Alex! We will be more than happy to accommodate your desire for a nominal fee to cover the costs.

We Have a Voice

by KLD

I bet you were one of those kids who fell for the Santa-thing hook, line, and sinker. Hey who didn't? It's easy for kids to believe that there is a perpetually nice, jolly geriatric who likes to bring them gifts.

It's a little harder for us students to believe that there are nice people at Laurentian who genuinely want to help us. In the midst of student numbers, fill-in-the-dot tests and an endless role of red tape, the people behind the shiny name-plates seem impossibly cold and remote.

It may be easiest to lump all members of the ad-

ministration into one faceless personality-free group, but that's not fair. To say that all administration workers are apathetic towards students, is like saying that all young people are disruptive and rude. Unfortunately in both instances, it is the negative stereotype that receives attention.

When an article was published in an October issue of *Lambda* which criticized a certain section of the administration, someone on the eleventh floor was paying attention. Calls were made, and the very surprised author found herself at a meeting on the aforementioned

floor.

This meeting was arranged by a concerned faculty member to follow up on the article's complaint which affected her employees.

It is not necessary to include the names of the people at the meeting. I know that this woman takes pride in her job and probably doesn't need praise from me. Besides, this is not a token article. It's purpose is to demonstrate the potential for change at our school. Instead of fighting the administration, learn how to use it. Make some phone calls, use your student paper. Someone is listening, so find your voice.

NEWS



Sexual Harassment at Laurentian University

by Donna Brickett and Valerie Lalonde

There have been whispering of sexual harassment at Laurentian University for a number of years. This problem has been identified and acted upon since the implementation of a Harassment Office. The office is located in the R.D. Parker Building, 9th floor, room 925. Norma McRae-Ward is the Harassment Officer/Education and Employment Equity Coordinator who assists people who have experienced various forms of harassment. An interview with Norma McRae-Ward proved interesting and insightful into the different forms of harassment at Laurentian University. This is not to minimize other detrimental forms of harassment which exist such as those based on race or religion.

Norma describes the various forms of harassment as following a continuum in which every case is different. The incidents range from subtle forms of harassment such as derogatory remarks (often referred to as the "poison environment") to unwanted physical contact. It can be the unwanted, obscene phone calls or the "fatal attraction" harassment of an ex-boyfriend or girlfriend. The common thread that appears to run through these incidents is that people never expected they would be harassed or would be reporting it. In speaking with Norma McRae-Ward it became clear that harassment af-

fects both sexes. Harassment is seen between student and student, professor to student, professor to professor and professor to support staff. All these types of incidents have occurred on campus at Laurentian University and continue to occur. The reality could not escape us while speaking to Norma as she pointed out, "Laurentian is a community and, like any other community, is not immune to social problems or social issues." There is a perception that events of sexual harassment do not happen at Laurentian. Well, we are sorry to inform you that harassment does exist and not just as isolated incidents. This type of behavior is not acceptable and will not be tolerated at Laurentian University.

To ensure that the rights of individuals are protected, Laurentian is currently revising the Harassment Policy to include a broader definition of what constitutes harassment including stronger enforcement and educational measures. People at Laurentian University do not seem to be aware of the strict consequences which face those who harass. In severe cases, students may be expelled from Laurentian University and banned from campus. This applies to residences on campus who will adopt the new Laurentian University Standards of Harassment, which is scheduled to be implemented for September 1993. Information on current policies may be obtained at the Harassment Office or in pamphlets outside the Counselling and Resource Center.



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If you are being sexually harassed, there is a place that you can go to receive support and action for the problem. You do not have to put up with it, as you have different options at the Harassment Office. You may choose to take no formal action against the person but just inform others of the type of abusive behavior. If the incident involves a professor, you may want to see what options you have to avoid reprisal or you may want some direct action to be taken to confront the sexual har-

assment problem. If a complaint is lodged, it is investigated by a two member panel which contacts the respondent and asks for a written reply to the allegations. The Committee then meets with either both parties or each of them separately to discuss the matter. The problems may be resolved by a resolution agreement which may contain an apology as well as guidelines for future behavior. The offenders hopefully are educated about harassment through the complaint process. As well, the resolution agreement often contains a counselling/education

component. They may not have realized their behavior constituted sexual harassment, but it is nevertheless important to own up to the consequences of it.

The problems of sexual harassment show no signs of abating at Laurentian University (Norma had 5 new cases the week we went to speak to her). Through education and awareness of the fundamental problems, types and procedures of sexual harassment at Laurentian University we can work together in reducing a problem which no one wants.

What We're Doing for the White Ribbon Campaign

by Douglas Scott Vallance

You know it pays to be on time, unfortunately, I never am. And Wednesday the 2nd was no different. On that day there was a press conference on the White Ribbon Campaign, but I arrived in time to hear the "thank you's", and "hope you'll join us for refreshments" comments.

So, in order to redeem myself and my 'complete coverage' image I also attended the Memorial Services held in the Science Cafeteria on the 3rd.

Speakers included Dr. Anis Farah P.Eng., Director of Engineering, Prof. Manon Lemonde, for the Presidential advisory Committee on the Status of Women, and Norma MacRae-Ward, Personal Harassment and Employment Equality Co-ordinator, who used an analogy which should be mentioned once again. As I stated in my previous article assault isn't just physical, verbal assault may seem like dropping a feather on a person, "But one can be killed as easily by a tonne of feathers as by one bullet".

The service included, a candle lighting ceremony for each student killed in the Montreal Massacre and one candle for hope.

At the end of the ceremonies a song was played which was written the day after the Massacre by Bruce Woollatt:

"I wrote these words the next day. Writing them and singing them has been easier than living them; I'm still learning."

Bruce Woollatt

**We will not, we will not
we will not be silent**

Candles in the night, tears in
the wind
Too many times we say never
again

Women must live in freedom
from fear
But we're still too far from
freedom here

Men must become strong from
within
Violence must end for love to
begin

No more half lives for women
and men
To heal our world we must be
whole again

We will not stop until we have
won
Freedom and peace for our
daughters and sons

Candles in the night, tears in
the wind
Too many times we say never
again

**We must not be silent any
more**

I would like to thank and extend my appreciation to all those who work to get all this together, and those who helped me in my investigation. It's nice to know we still care.



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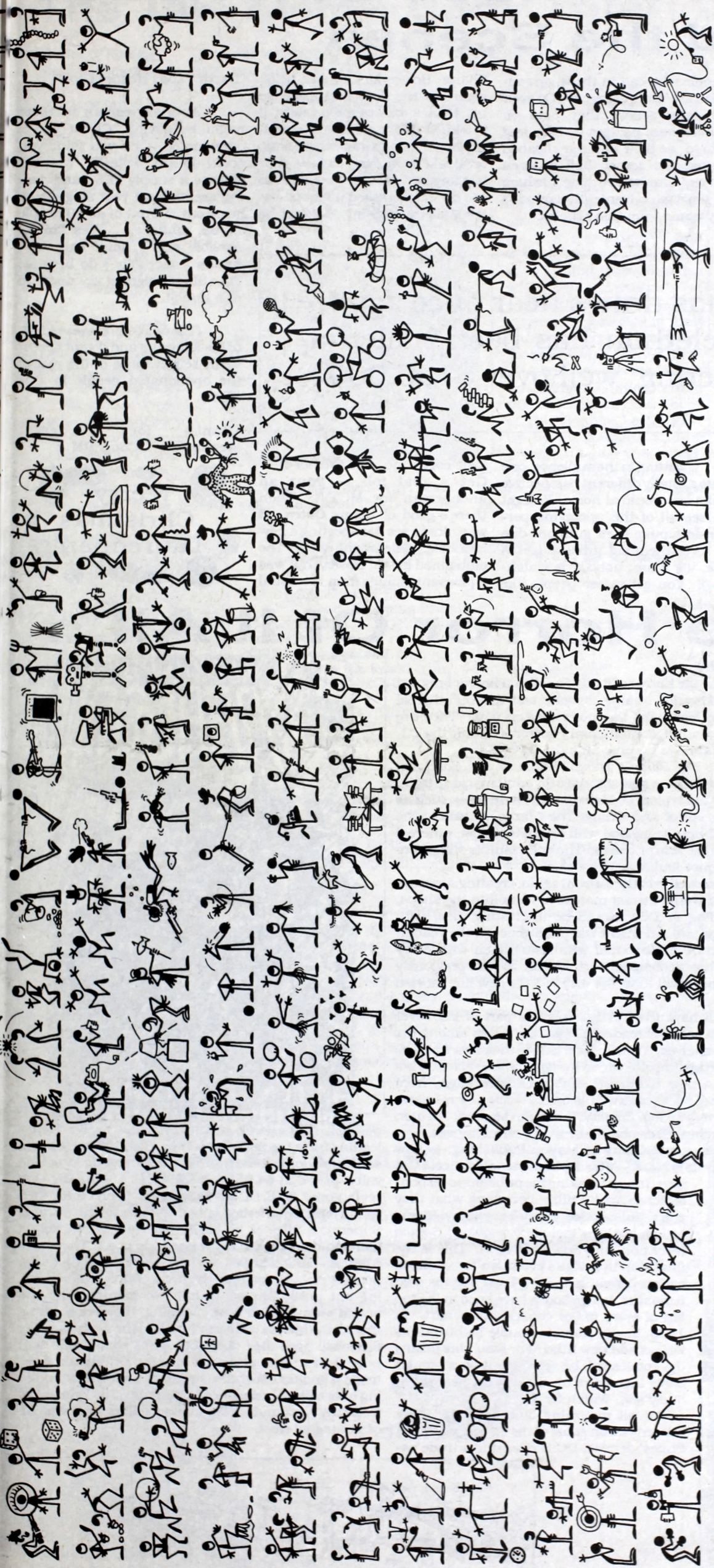
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You must laugh at those butt heads Behind the Scenes

by: TOJO

As Christmas draws near once again, yet another telethon has been hailed a success, collecting well over \$130,000.

As I sat and watched the performers (each one thinking they were some kind of budding Madonna or Michael Bolton — Ya right!), I couldn't help but laugh my ass off. Sure, many of the performers are to be commended on a great show, but please — the rest of them? What the hell are they doing. For crying out loud, take the cotton out of your ears and listen to yourself. At times I thought my head would spasm off of my neck as I shuddered over some of the performer's ability to sing 4 tones flat or sharp.

My personal favourite (and you L.U students know who you are) was the call-in-pledges.. It was nice to see people still have a sense of Ha-Ha. You've got to love it when you see a girl by the name of Gen Natalia flash before the

screen with a pledge of \$10.00, or Jack Meoff who pledged a whopping \$5.00, or Ben Dover who called in with a pledge of \$20.00. Who are these stupid "Rose Nylon" types who answer the telephones? Have they no sense of humor? I guess not as they merrily accept the pledge no matter

people who call in these gargantuan amounts of money. Do your honestly believe they plan on honor there pledges — they just like to see their name get flashed across the screen half a dozen times/ I know, I've done it (which is why I've conveniently excluded my name from this article).

Sharon Bowes kick off her hells, squat on the floor and massage her tender toes (come on lady, if you know you're going to be standing for 9 hours, Christ, where flats, or sneakers - nobody can see your feet anyway!) Nor does one get to see the really pissed off mood Peter Mallette was in. Boy did he

"Darth Vader Helmet Look"!

All of you readers out there might be saying "Christ you're opinionated — Do you think you could do any better?" Well my answer is simply YES, and you will see me next year singing my heart out in front of all 10 people in the audience. Yes I'm an asshole and I don't care who knows it (actually I do because I'm still not signing my name to this thing)!

(The opinions expressed are of the following and do not necessarily reflect those of the rest of the opinionated people in this office).

Thanks for a great evening.....Congrats!

Merry Christmas Laurentian!

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what your name is. (Just remember to honor your pledges you fuckers.)

You've also got to laugh at those butt heads who call in just so that they can hear their calling at the pledge centre. Or the

Sitting in the audience, one gets a totally different perspective than one would at home. You get to see all of the upcoming performers puke their guts out due to overwhelming anxiety (get a life, it's 2 am, nobody is watching!) You get to see people like

look cocky (no pun intended) — Get a real job — your an anchorman for MCTV! Then there's good ol' Jenny Gates. It was nice to see her sporting a new hairstyle. One might call it "The embalmed look". However, it was a pleasant change from her usual

The Horror Of It All...

by A Prisoner of Reality

Oh, the horror, the horror of it all. For all you horror fans out there aimlessly looking for quality, spooky and maybe ethereal scary stuff, have no fear. DC has not forgotten you. They are releasing a new line of adult, contemporary horror, avoiding the EC-ish twist endings that have become an industry cliché.

Previous titles like *Swamp Thing*, *Hellblazer* and *Sandman* broke the rules to become the new standard for adult macabre tales. DC has also twisted the typical superhero concept in titles such as *Animal Man*, *Doom Patrol* and *Shape The Changing Man*. The standard "good guy" hero is melded with an existentialist, ethereal approach of the mature horror books. The end result is superhero comics that you cannot find any where else.

Now, DC has moved into the forefront again, creating a mature readers imprint that would attract mature readers into the shops. The stories, according to DC, should be interesting, deal with contemporary issues and not insult the intelligence of the reader. The art should also be professional with risks taken with every pencil stroke. DC has accomplished this with the six previously mentioned titles; these will form the core of DC's new line labeled **Vertigo**.

Each title will have the **Vertigo** label as part of the cover masthead to make it easy for readers to spot the books among the various titles on the shelves. To introduce fans to their new line, DC is launching the **Vertigo** imprint with a *Vertigo Comic Preview*. This comic will feature a new *Sandman* story, exclusive pages from *Vertigo's* debut line of releases as well as the following new releases: *Death: The High Cost of Living*, *Enigma*, *Sandman Mystery Theater*, *Mercy* and *Black Orchid*. This should be worth checking out.

Image Comics, a subsidiary of Malibu Publishing, is now breaking away from its parent. After a phenomenally successful year, Image is taking the publishing responsibilities for its titles, becoming what they call a "full service" comics company. Some of their hot titles include *Youngblood*, *Spawn* (very hot), and *Savage Dragon*. This is the final step in Image's evolution to become a serious threat to the Big Two. For the past 6 months, Image books have been in the top ten of every major comics sales chart. In 1993, Image plans to double its output as well as add new titles. For fans, this means the comics will be coming out on a regular basis instead of on the erratic pace previously set. Watch for it.

For all mourning fans who may have missed out on some of the issues leading to Supes' demise, DC is releasing a trade pa-



perback. This book will include the twelve issues leading up to the final showdown. The 128-page book, scheduled for release around Christmas time, will be value-priced at \$4.95US (\$5.95CDN). Is the Big Guy really gone? Well, DC isn't saying but I don't think they would still be offering subscriptions to the various Superman titles if he really was gone. As far as merchandising goes, DC missed the boat. They have a limited-edition Supes statue, t-shirts, trading cards, posters etc... Unfortunately, none of this stuff is coming out until January (a full two months after the actual event!) With poor planning, they are banking that all the hoopla will carry over into the new year. The furor will have died down by then; comic collectors have fickle, short attention spans. DC should have made a greater effort to coordinate their merchandising blitz with the release of Superman #75. I guess DC feels they can handle a few million dollars loss because of waning interest.



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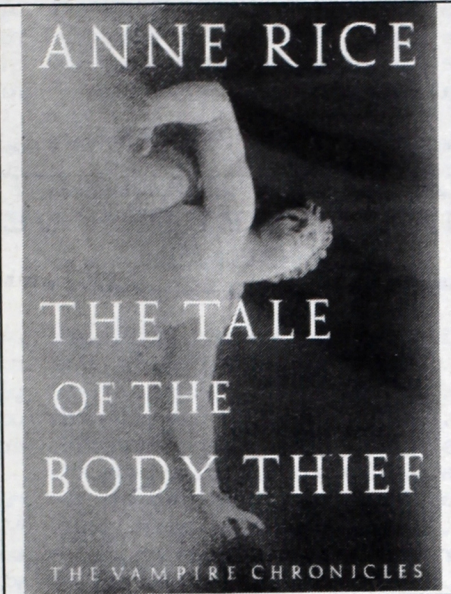
The Tale of The Body Thief

by A Prisoner of Reality

If anyone has read my other columns, they might have noticed that I am a true fan of gothic horror. It was with great anticipation that I went to my local book store to pick up Anne Rice's new offering *The Tale of The Body Thief*.

This fourth installment in the Vampire Chronicles is only available now in hardcover. The story opens with everyone's favorite bloodsucker unhappy with his life (or should that be death?). Lestat is fidgety, moody, and looking for a challenge. He is approached by a seedy man, James Raglan, who has an interesting proposition. It seems that Raglan has developed a way of body-switching that allows him to kick out the resident soul of any body and then occupy the vacated body. Raglan offers Lestat the chance to be mortal

again. They would change bodies for a few days and then, at an appointed time, return the body



suicide attempt (interesting!), throws caution to the wind, ignores his friends' advice and agrees to the switch. What follows is a funny, very un-Rice-like romp around the world as Lestat tries to reclaim his body.

For Rice fans, they will probably find this novel quite disappointing. There are too many site descriptions and not enough story. The reader is assaulted from all sides with descriptions of trees, flowers, and nature in general. The ending in itself is unsatisfying and the reader goes away with nothing. People who have never read Rice's novels should stay away from this one. Instead, find a copy of *The Vampire Lestat*, curl up by the fireplace and be prepared to enter a new world. The *Tale of The Body Thief*, unfortunately, will not win Rice any new fans.

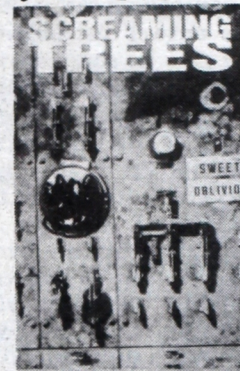
les to the respective owner. Lestat, still a little dazed from a botched

Lambda Entertainment Review

by Tim Kelly

Album: **Screaming Trees, *Sweet Oblivion*, 1992.**

Featured along with Pearl Jam, Paul Westerberg, Soundgarden and Mudhoney on the soundtrack for the movie *Singles*, Screaming Trees prove on their album *Sweet Oblivion* that they are no one-hit wonder. Their terrific song "Nearly Lost You," is prominent as the second track on *Sweet Oblivion* (it was a gem of the *Singles* album) but it's just a highlight of a great rock album.



Screaming Trees sound like the true heirs to Neil Young's excellent garage band, Crazy Horse. The band members even look the part. Singer Mark Lanegan doesn't have much range, but that's fine with this bunch. Gary Lee Conner and Van Conner on guitar and bass just thrash along, but it's the pounding on the skins by Barrett Martin which gives this bank its life. It just crunches and crackles on track after track. The melody never slips below the surface however. These guys make music, not noise. That's an important distinction.

The title track rolls you right through the rest of the songs. If you're not careful this band could occupy a permanent place in your cassette or CD holder. It's wearing out my equipment.

Album: **Alice in Chains, *Dirt*, 1992**

Lead singer Layne Staley of Alice in Chains admits to having a heroin problem (he's since come clean according to what he says in the Nov. 26/92 Rolling Stone) and that forms the basis for the 12 songs on the excellent new Alice in Chains album, *Dirt*.

Dirt stands up well compared to the other two great Seattle sound albums of the past year, Nirvana's *Nevermind* and Pearl Jam's *Ten*. Like those two albums, *Dirt* sounds sincere. You can believe it when Staley intones, "I believe them bones are me," in the album's opening track and video, "Them Bones." Guitarist Jerry Cantrell hits all the right licks throughout the album while bassist Mike Starr and drummer Sean Finney pound along as well as anybody. Staley shows remarkable range as well. When he's not pushing his low-toned gothic chant on "Them Bones" or "Would," he hits the higher notes with authority.

With Alice in Chains, you're going to mostly get hard-driving rockers, but the boys also hit for fine melodies. Witness the sweet Queen-like sounds of "Down in a Hole," which soars along on Cantrell's playing. Alice in Chains isn't as celebrated as Nirvana, Pearl Jam or Soundgarden, but it may yet surpass those bands in influence. Especially, if Alice in Chains can follow *Dirt* with another album of similar quality.



POETRY CORNER

Half Mast

by Brian Breckon
Understanding and melancholy
so often are entwined.
Walking hand and hand
within the boundaries of my
mind.

Every silver lining
has its cloud.
The banner and the ribbon
cloak the shroud

It seems an irony, a paradox,
perfidious I'd say,
when enlightenment puts
clouds
of gloom and darkness in my
way.

Besieged

by Daniel Hurtubise
Well,
A mind invaded by sex
That was trying hard to study
Can barely concentrate on texts
Or written words when women
strut passed, flowery.
I tell you it's hard (and will nigh
rigid)
To think or concentrate
Because those, beside desire,
are frigid.
Cold - bore lom incarnate.
Attention is most easily snared
By shapely tits well paired.

Ah, but I was meaning to write
Something of more grandeur,
But as it is, I have fallen to
disaster;
I'm sorry, my attention was
waylaid -
And a classic piece is the price
I've paid -
My concentration's lost to the
tits within my sight!

Ocean

she walked into the ocean
she walked into the sea
she walked into the ocean
into tranquility
she walked into the ocean
she walked away from me

COMMUNITY SCHEDULE

THE EDGE: Thur. & Fri. "Truth or Fiction"
Sat. "Hopping Penguins"
COACH HOUSE NORTH: Scoundrels Saloon: Thur. - Sun. "Shark Sandwich"
CORTINA on Bancroft: Sat. Andre Forget
CHECKERS in the Froid: Thur. - Sat. "Kill the Critic"
INTERNATIONAL HOTEL: Thur. Andre Forget
Fri. & Sat. "Smart Apple"
NEW HANMER TAVERN in Joe's Blue Room: Thur. - Sat. "Butler"
NICKEL CITY HOTEL: Fri. - Sun. "Lickety Split"
TOWN HOUSE TAVERN: Wed. Phil Wang
Fri. & Sat. "Bourbon Tabernacle Choir"
CITY LIGHTS: Thur. Depression Night
RALPH'S Grill & SPORTSBAR: Dance to a D.J. seven nights/week
BACKSTREET: Thur. - Sat. Music from D.J.'s Glen M. & Juice
NORTHLAND MOTEL(Chelmsford) in Club 144: Mon. - Sat. "Glara Bandit"
SUPERMALL: The Distinguished Gentlemen, Under Seige
CITY CENTRE: The Mighty Ducks, Jennifer 8, The Bodyguard

A Final Note:

We all shall be taking a break soon and so I'll ask you to remember to submit whatever you so desire to Lambda in Jan. 93.

Entertainment will publish anything within the parameters of this life. I ask only that your submissions not be sexist, racist, defamatory, homophobic or heterosexist and may not include allusions to bestiality, polygamy, pedophilia, necrophilia, incest, rape, bondage, inbreeding, deerstalking, masturbation, fornication, perversion, sodomy, ejaculation, menstruation, orgasm, masochism, sadism, demonism, witchcraft, heresy, cannibalism, intoxication, alcoholism, nationalism, daltonism, recession, religion, evolution, genocide, politics or gambling. Any other topic is acceptable.

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En Français

La Raison de Marie, la Passion de Carmen

par Benoît Bisson

Le jour où je devais rencontrer Marie Carmen pour une entrevue, question de lui parler de l'album **Miel et Venin** et de sa carrière qui est en train de perdre une allure fulgurante, même la température a voulu me montrer qu'il y a de u x faces à toute chose. Alors qu'il y avait un soleil éclatant le matin, je me suis pointé à mon rendez-vous en plein milieu d'un orage torrentiel.

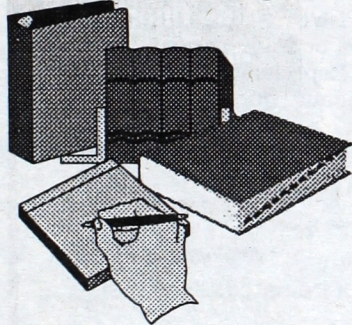


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Ensuite, comme la pluie prenait fin, Marie Carmen arrive, en quatrième vitesse, comme un coup de vent qui chasse l'orage. Le temps de nous installer pour l'entrevue, et déjà elle m'impressionne...

INTENSITÉ

Au nombre d'entrevues qu'elle accorde, on pourrait s'attendre à une artiste blasée, un peu lasse de répondre à une ribambelle de questions du genre



Toute personne intéressée à améliorer sa performance écrite peut s'inscrire à des ateliers au Centre, salle 121, aux dates et aux heures suivantes:

JANVIER

Lundi le 11 janvier et mercredi le 13 janvier
9h à 11h compréhension de textes
Mardi le 19 janvier et jeudi le 21 janvier
13h à 15h rédaction
Lundi le 25 janvier (soir)
18h à 21h rédaction
Samedi le 23 janvier
9h30 à 13h30 compréhension de textes
Vendredi le 15 janvier
13h30 à 15h30 conclusion

MARS

Lundi le 1er mars et mercredi le 3 mars
9h à 11h rédaction
Mardi le 16 mars et jeudi le 18 mars
13h à 15h compréhension de textes
Mardi le 23 mars (soir)
18h à 21h compréhension de textes
Samedi le 27 mars
9h30 à 13h30 rédaction
Vendredi le 19 mars
13h30 à 15h30 marquer de relation

En plus, le Centre a un service de répétiteurs. Ces derniers, aident les étudiants à améliorer leurs travaux. N'hésitez pas à venir au Centre! Le centre est ouvert du lundi au vendredi de 9h00 à 16h30, le mardi soir jusqu'à 19h00 et le jeudi soir de 19h00 à 22h00.

TOUS CES SERVICES SONT GRATUITS

"Pourquoi Miel et Venin?" ou "Pourquoi l'Aigle Noir?", mais Marie Carmen est tout sauf blasée. Alors, cette dualité entre peur et confiance, entre Miel et Venin, elle m'en parle, avec intensité... "D'un côté, je suis quelqu'un qui est une peureuse, une angoissée

qui est terrorisée par l'idée de faire un pas devant l'autre, mais en même temps, il est hors de question que je meure de peur. Alors je passe mon temps à me lancer des défis, tout le

temps. J'ai un instinct de survie qui est absolument phénoménal, alors je me provoque, je me mets à l'épreuve constamment, mais je suis terrorisée constamment." Ca fait longtemps que Marie Carmen relève ses défis, avant même que Plamondon ne lui ouvre la porte de Starmania, avant même "Vis ta vinaigrette", mais aussi après, alors que "Plaf chanterait du rock" brasse la cage des puristes, sa voix bourrée d'émotions rejoint le public, petit à petit, non pas avec facilité, mais - eh oui avec intensité et acharnement. Près de 150 spectacles à vibrer et faire vibrer, avant que "Dans la peau" ne dépasse les 50 000 exemplaires vendus, pour qu'ensuite elle disparaisse pendant 8 mois, le temps de produire "Miel et Venin".

Là, ce fut le défi de l'écriture, de la composition, mais aussi le défi de se retrouver face à elle-même, de maîtriser ses craintes, ses doutes, un cheminement per-

sonnel qui se poursuit sans cesse. "John Lennon disait quelque chose que j'aime beaucoup: 'La chose la plus compliquée à faire dans la vie, c'est de simplifier. Je voyais la vie comme une accumulation

de choses: plus tu avances, plus tu simplifies pour ne garder que les choses qui sont essentielles, vitales. Au niveau de l'écriture, c'est la même chose. Maintenant, je vais chercher le mot le plus simple. Je n'ai jamais crié au génie avec ce que j'écris, mais je suis en paix par exemple, je me sens bien. Ce sont mes mots à moi et ce sont des mots qui vont rejoindre le monde."

Ses mots rejoignent le monde parce qu'elle leur parle d'émotions, de choses auxquelles les gens peuvent s'identifier. "J'ai le goût d'aller plus loin, de libérer des choses. Je pense à une chanson comme 'Entre l'ombre et la lumière où vraiment je

n'ai pas peur de montrer ma vulnérabilité, mais sous toute son ampleur. Je suis toute petite dedans, je fais du chantage émotif, je suis victime, je suis 'loser' là-dessus. Mais oui, c'est de mes côtés ça aussi. d'autres chansons, 'Comme une fusée', c'est la colère. C'est pas beau, hein, puis surtout pas une femme... Une femme en colère, c'est pas beau, mais j'avais envie de faire ça. Ca m'a pris deux heures. Cette chanson là, j'ai pris la base de Jean-



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Puis il y a avec nous, on retrouve un noyau de gens qui vibrent avec elle, qui forment une base de complices lui permettant de réussir à réaliser un album comme "Miel et Venin" sans aucune espèce de pudeur. "Pour ne pas avoir de pudeur, il faut être en

suis arrivée chez-nous, j'ai fait la mélodie, j'ai écrit le texte. Deux heures plus tard, j'ai appelé Jean-Pierre et je lui ai dit: 'c'est fait, c'est coulé dans le béton, on y touchera plus jamais.'"

confiance avec les gens autour de toi. Alors, avec Jean-Pierre, pendant trois semaines, on s'est assis on a déconné, et à un moment donné, on a senti qu'on était sur la même longueur d'ondes alors on

s'est dit 'on y va'. Et ce fut une véritable partie de plaisir... Sur

J'AI LE GOÛT D'ALLER PLUS LOIN, DE LIBÉRER DES CHOSES."

Alors, entre la fille qui écrit "j'ai l'habitude des plaisirs qui ne durent pas" et celle qui dit "Je suis un lion, un volcan réveillé, faites attention au choc", il y a un monde d'émotions que le public peut voir, sans fausse pudeur, parce que c'est ce qu'elle vit et qu'elle ne veut être qu'elle-même, pas une création médiatique ou une artiste sur un piédestal. Faut-il alors se surprendre du succès remporté par son interprétation de "L'aigle noir" de Barbara, reconnu succès de l'été 92 toutes catégories par Musique-Plus, écouté et fredonné par les jeunes comme les moins jeunes, les premiers

toutes les bandes qu'il y a, même les chansons les plus dramatiques, ça s'est toujours terminé par un éclat de rire..."

Du rire aux larmes, il n'y a qu'un pas, et entre Marie et Carmen, il y a un monde d'émotions qu'elle vit et partage avec le public à chaque fois qu'elle monte sur scène. Dans "Vivre... ou passer son tour", le texte de Marc Bilodeau le dit bien... "Dans mes coups de coeur, je vis le pire et le meilleur... Comme un coup de vent, je vis je meurs en même temps..."

Alors elle s'entoure pour son spectacle comme elle s'entoure pour sa production. Des gens qui deviennent une équipe, une famille qui aura à vivre ensemble, à s'endurer comme à s'amuser tout au long de la tournée. Et dans chaque ville où la tournée s'arrête, il a le public qui peut, s'il veut, embarquer dans l'équipe. En Europe, on chante avec les artistes qu'on aime. Marie se demande si le public d'ici va embarquer de cette façon... et comment réagir si ça se produit.

COMPLÉTÉ

A la base de ces émotions qu'elle partage

avec nous, on retrouve un noyau de gens qui vibrent avec elle, qui forment une base de complices lui permettant de réussir à réaliser un album comme "Miel et Venin" sans aucune espèce de pudeur. "Pour ne pas avoir de pudeur, il faut être en

la gamme des émotions qu'elle vit et partage à chaque fois qu'elle monte sur scène, elle pourra vibrer pleinement aux émotions que le public partagera avec elle. Ce qu'il a de bien avec une telle relation, c'est qu'elle n'a rien à voir avec une mode, uniquement avec le coeur et la passion avec lequel il vibre dans ses chansons, tout comme dans sa vie.

L'harcèlement

1. L'harcèlement sexuelle est une forme de violence contre les femmes.
2. L'harcèlement sexuelle peut se produire, non seulement au travail, mais aussi, au domicile, sur les rues et dans la salle de classe.
3. Dans la majorité des cas, se sont les hommes qui harcèlent les femmes.
4. 50% de la population féminine souffrent d'abus sexuelle avant l'âge de 18 ans.
5. La majorité des agresseurs (72%) sont de race blanche et de citoyenneté canadienne.
6. Les femmes de toutes les âges et de toutes les races, cultures et religions sont agressées sexuellement, y compris celles avec des handicaps et d'âge d'or.
7. 60% des viols et des agressions sexuelles se produisent dans les domiciles.
8. La plupart des victimes se font attaquer par des hommes qu'elles connaissent.
9. 15% des femmes locataires se font harceler sexuellement par leur logeur.

POSTES EN 1992-93

ASSISTANTS ÉTUDIANTS

Le Centre d'orientation et d'information cherche 3 étudiants pour le poste d'Assistant étudiant pour l'année prochaine. C'est en même temps un emploi et un apprentissage. Les candidats devraient être des personnes qui s'intéressent à améliorer la qualité de vie et les services pour les étudiants à la Laurentienne.

HEURES: 10 heures par semaine

(13 semaines chaque semestre)

SALAIRE: 500.00\$ par semestre

LANGUES: Compétence préférée en anglais

Résumés au:

Centre d'orientation et d'information
2e étage, R.D. Parker

En Français



LE SIDA: LA PESTE DU 20 SIECLE?

par Joël bombo-Kononghaud

L'Humanité entière est confrontée en cette fin du 20e siècle qui a vu se développer toutes sortes de technologies très avancées, au syndrome d'immuno-déficience acquise (S.I.D.A.). Tout le monde, ou presque, sait que la maladie a été repérée vers la fin des années 70 et le début des années 80, c'est-à-dire entre 1978 et 1981.

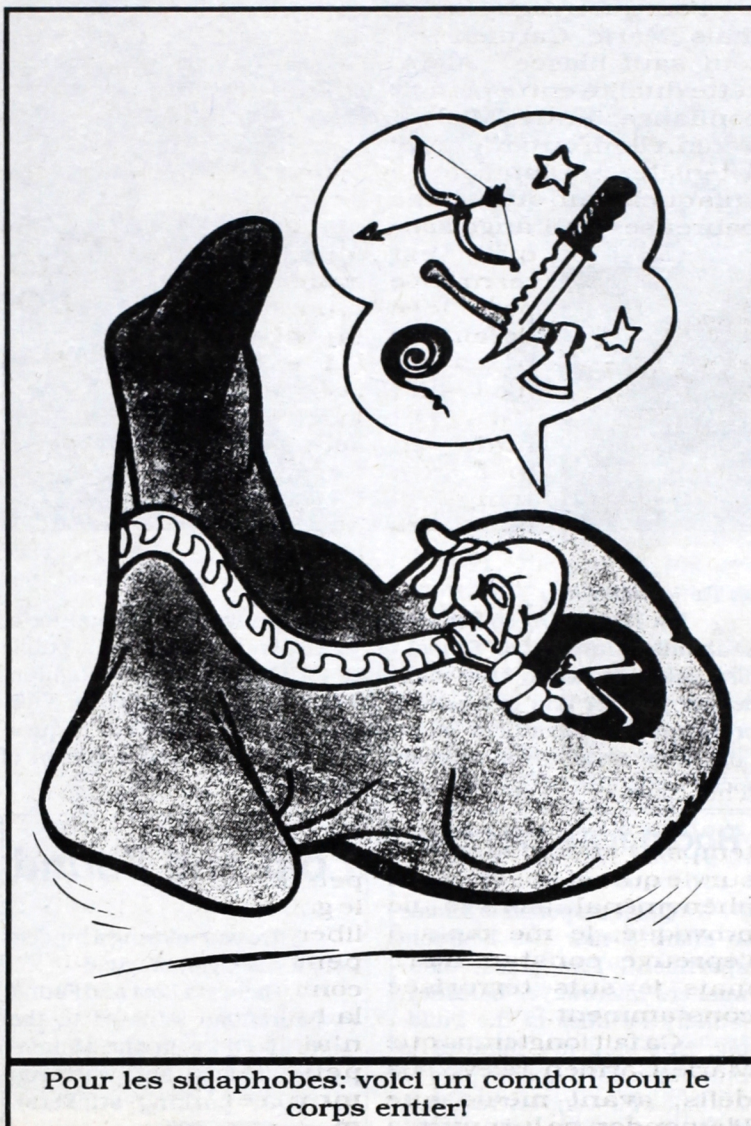
Quelle est son origine? MYSTÈRE. Je ne cherche pas à entrer dans le honteux débat qui, un moment, voulait à tout prix situer cette origine en AFRIQUE qui a mon goût souffre assez de préjugés provenant d'esprits étroits, pour endosser encore une aussi lourde responsabilité. Bref, passons à l'aspect scientifique et surtout social de ce qui constitue toujours un défi intolérable pour le monde médical d'abord, et pour toute l'Humanité.

Il y a fort longtemps que je voulais aborder ce sujet et ce qui m'a poussé à le faire, sont les statistiques présentées par le service médical de L'UNIVERSITÉ

LAURENTIENNE. En effet, ces statistiques montrent que la province de l'ONTARIO occupe la première place parmi toutes les autres du CANADA. Les hommes sont les plus touchés comparativement aux femmes mais heureusement la tendance globale est à la baisse.

Quelqu'un pourrait-il m'expliquer les raisons d'un taux aussi élevé? Peut-on dire que la campagne de sensibilisation n'a pas atteint son but? Ou encore les individus ne veulent ou ne peuvent pas changer leur comportement sexuel? Ou enfin trouvent-ils que pratiquer le "SAFER SEX" rend la chose moins intéressante? Voilà quelques questions pour ouvrir le débat sur ce problème qui concerne chaque être humain car personne n'est à l'abri: riche ou pauvre, noir, rouge, blanc ou jaune, homme, femme ou enfant.

Il est clair que tout le monde n'est pas égal devant la maladie depuis l'arrivée sur le marché de l'A.Z.T. qui est un produit dont la fonction principale est de ralentir, plus ou



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moins le processus de l'évolution de la maladie. Je ne pense pas qu'il soit nécessaire de mentionner

le prix du produit, mais les personnes informées savent à quoi s'en tenir. Ce sujet sera abordé lors d'un article ultérieur.

Ayant attentivement lu les prospectus du service médical, le premier conseil donné est de ne pas avoir de rapports sexuels. Arrêtons-nous un instant si vous le voulez bien. Est-ce une résolution sage que de ne pas avoir de relations sexuelles alors qu'elles sont nécessaires pour l'équilibre? Je ne le pense pas.

La meilleure solution d'après moi est la seconde qui consiste à pratiquer le "safer sex" même s'il affecte notre degré de spontanéité et de plaisir. Il faudrait penser qu'une seconde de plaisir contre toute une vie, qu'est-ce qui vaut le plus?

Pour l'instant, je m'arrêterai à ce niveau en espérant que le débat soit alimenté car c'est l'affaire de tous.

La prochaine fois nous verrons le coût humain, social et économique du S.I.D.A. dans les pays du tiers-monde ainsi que dans les pays développés.

RAFEO

Modifications à venir en septembre prochain

Pourquoi ces modifications?

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- De façon générale, les étudiants qui empruntent plus de 5 570 \$ par an ne devront pas rembourser plus que ce montant pour l'année de cet emprunt.

- Les étudiants continueront d'avoir jusqu'à 9 1/2 ans pour rembourser leurs prêts une fois leurs études terminées.

Ces modifications entreront en vigueur le 1^{er} juillet 1993.

Dès janvier, une publication disponible dans les bureaux de l'aide financière des collèges et des universités donnera plus de précisions sur les modifications à venir l'automne prochain.

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INFO PAGE

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SALARY: \$500 per term

LANGUAGES: Ability in French and English preferred

RESUMES TO:

Counseling and Resource Centre

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Peer Assistants: There For You

Have you noticed an increase in the amount of Student Service information in the latest editions of Lambda? Well, the Peer Assistants hope you have. One of the independent projects of the P.A program is to increase student awareness of the resources that are available. Don't know who the peer assistants are you say? Well, here they are. Donna Brickett, Valerie Lalonde, Lance Chen, Dave William and Anne Vaillancourt.

The Peer Assistants are there to help YOU. Ask them your questions and they'll lend you their ears. Lambda will be publishing the latest from the P.A every week. So stay tuned.

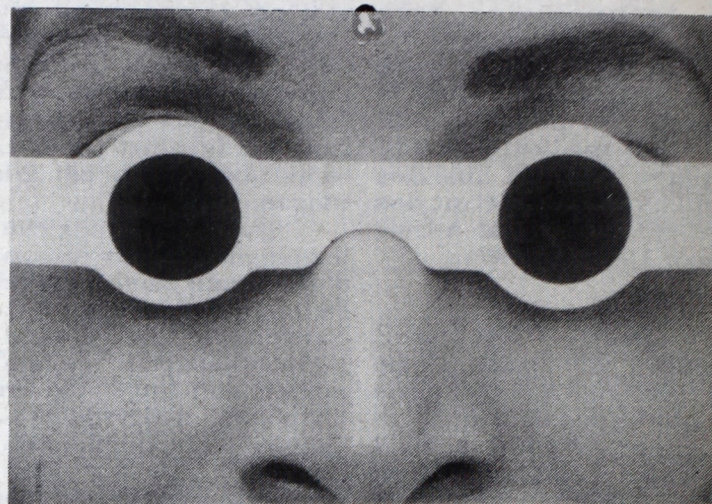
Public Discussion



by Tania Zulkoskey

On Friday, December 4th the 25th Anniversary Committee of Laurentian University's School of Social Work sponsored a public discussion on health care challenges for Ontario. Floyd Laughren, deputy premier and treasurer of Ontario, and Paul Cappon, Vice-president of academics at Laurentian, answered a number of questions from sociologists, economists, philosophers and students of social work. The forum was well received.

Hmmm, let's see here. The prof wants us to write a paper on BIG FOOT sightings by former rock stars whose mother's first name is Thelma. Huh????!!



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Christopher Bey
and the **INFO** editor

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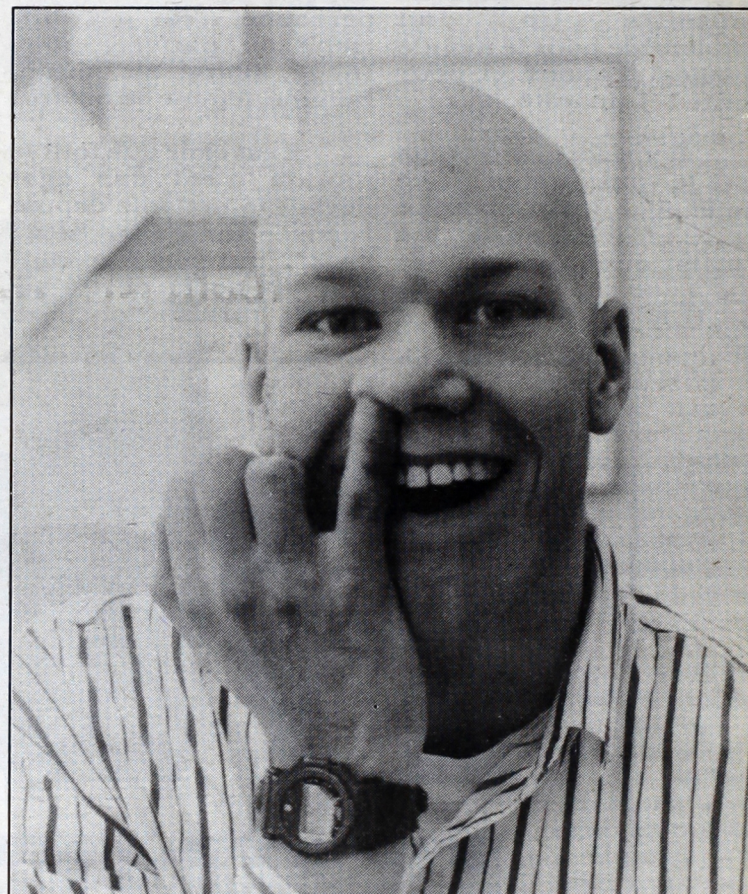


Photo by Jamie Armstrong

National tree hugger spokesperson, Doug Vallance gives a crash course in cheat sheet nose stuffy - It's easy, fun, and practical,... adds Vallance.

Women's Centre Student Awards:

The Sudbury Women's Centre is in great need of women who wish to volunteer their time to do clerical and support work for the Centre. If this is something that would interest you, please contact the Volunteer Coordinator at 673-1916.

The Sudbury Women's Centre is currently running bingos out of Valleyview Bingo in the Val East Mall. We are searching for experienced volunteers to work the bingos, especially during the day and night owl bingos. If you want to be a bingo volunteer contact the Fundraising Chair at 673-1916.

Attention: All recipients of Financial Aid;

OSAP Applications for the 1993/1994 school year must be submitted to Student Awards prior to January 31, 1993. If you request an appeal, it is important to contact the office prior to Friday February 26, 1993, due to time required for appeal preparation.

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TOP RESULTS

Women

60 meters
5. Jackie Dore 8.02
25. Lynn Kabaroff 8.54

300 meters
7. Jackie Dore 43.6
20. Denise Carriere 49.4
21. Jo-Elle Wood 50.8

600 meters
16. Jo-Elle Wood 2:05.7

60 meter hurdles
5. Denise Carriere 9.41

Long Jump
8. Natalie Coutu 4.89

Triple Jump
11. Natalie Coutu

Men

60 meters
12. Richard Murray 7.38
17. Pierre Seguin 7.45
18. Larry Bassaco 7.45
24. Brent Sloss 7.62
27. Shawn Upson 7.68
31. Phil Frawley 7.73
36. John Parrill 7.76

300 meters
10. Daniel Leduc 37.1
21. Chris Lane 38.1
22. Brent Sloss 38.2
35. John Parrill 39.4
37. Ray Gingras 39.7
45. Edwin Osie-Tutu 42.7
46. Marc St-Aubin 43.4

600 meters
10. Mike Sarafin 1:26.1
17. Scott Warren 1:27.9
19. Jason Leach 1:28.5

1000 meters
8. Luc Ouimet 2:40.9

1500 meters
5. Mark Proulx 4:04.8
6. Marvin Baumann 4:05.5
11. Jason Leach 4:14.4
16. Luc Ouimet 4:28.0
18. Marc St-Aubin 4:43.2
19. Drew Schmitt 4:55.6

3000 meters
4. Mark Dewan 8:40.0
9. Mark Proulx 8:47.2
15. Marvin Baumann 8:59.5
18. Derek Reek 9:05.4

60 meter hurdles
16. Phil Frawley 9.75

High Jump
4. Jason Lash 1.90
8. Kirk Petroski 1.80

Long Jump
9. Ian Janssen 6.04
20. Dan Smith 5.40

Triple Jump
5. Ian Jassen 13.38



Team At -'Track'-s Attention



Archival Track Team Photos.

A Merry Christmas to all the athletes of Laurentian from Lambda.

by Marc St-Aubin

The Voyageurs and Lady Vees Track and Field Teams participated in the Season Opener Meet at the University of Western Ontario over the weekend.

Mark Dewan and Jackie Dore led their teammates to strong performances as they were chosen MVP's. Dewan ran a very solid 3000 meters with a time of 8 minutes 40.8, placing forty overall. Lady Vee Jackie Dore 'flew' by most competitors in the 60 meter dash and advanced to the finals placing 5th with a time of 8.02 seconds; Dore also placed 7th in the 300 meters, running a 43.6.

Many others performed well and makes this track and field season a very promising one...The teams will be competing after the holidays January 9 in Toronto.

NO PROBLEM!

by James Roach

I would like to state at the outset of this article that the opinions expressed are my own and not those of the men's or women's varsity basketball teams. Two weeks ago in Lambda an article appeared which mentioned briefly that there is a rivalry between the men's and women's basketball teams here at Laurentian. Says who? I am not going to say that the story is false, I simply want to know who told the writer this. Articles pitting one varsity team against another have been the norm in Lambda over the past few months and I think it is time that the focus shifted from who is jealous or angry at who, to perhaps, how are the teams doing, or who

are the returning players, who is new? I think part of the problem is Lambda. An article like the one in question can create problems. The men's team wonders if the women's team gave the information and vice versa. If these teams do loath each other then perhaps it merits a story, but one which is researched and the proper people are interviewed. Rumors and here say do no warrant a story.

On January 9 both the men's and women's teams will play here against the University of Ottawa teams. Not against each other! Let's get out and support both teams with equal enthusiasm and stop creating animosity through this otherwise fine newspaper.

Could It Be The End Of An Era?

by Rob Moxness

"The fans were going nuts. We were ahead 6-5, so with ten seconds left, the Flyers yanked Peeters. The puck went off the side of our net. Nine seconds. Grant jumped on it, and as soon as I saw him, I took off like I was late for a bus. Seven seconds. Grant got it to Glenn Anderson at the red line. Five seconds. I screamed at Andy, "PASS IT TO ME! PASS IT TO ME!" At this point hockey etiquette was out the window. He got it to me and... three seconds... I fired it past a sprawling Bill Barber of the Flyers and into the world's most beautiful net." - Wayne Gretzky, when on December 30, 1981, he scored his record breaking 50th goal in just 39 games.

For more than a decade, Wayne Gretzky has been a household name in the realm of professional hockey. With his uncanny ability and profound perception of the game, no individual has ever heightened the game's level of magnitude like Wayne Gretzky. The legendary Gordie Howe concedes that "Wayne Gretzky is, without a doubt, the greatest and most successful hockey player ever to don a pair of skates."

Unfortunately our destiny is controlled by occurrences unbeknownst to us. Fate will follow its natural course, and like any other historic athlete, the revolutionary express that has carried Wayne Gretzky through the National Hockey League may have very well been derailed. Physical contact is synonymous with scoring goals in hockey. The constant pounding has taken its toll on Gretzky's debilitated frame. For the first time in his career, Wayne Gretzky was unable to begin this year's N.H.L. campaign. The reason: a herniated disc - an injury in which thoracic specialists agree that there is a 20% chance of full recovery. Those odds are frightening.

Many skeptics believe Gretzky's career is finished. Others, such as his optimistic physician, insist that Gretzky will be back in full force with time. But we must look at his condi-

tion from a realistic perspective. How much time does he really have? In the past few seasons, Gretzky's point productions have somewhat declined. And the fact that he is approaching age 33 this January probably signifies that an illustrious career is slowly declining.

Critics have questioned Gretzky's motivation and willingness to return to the Kings' roster. There is even speculation that he is considering retirement. But listen, why should Wayne Gretzky feel the "motivation" of returning to a physically threatening situation? Gretzky has nothing to prove nor to gain in rushing the progress of his injury. Besides from being a multi-millionaire, he's the all-time leading scorer in the history of the N.H.L., he holds 4 Stanley Cup rings and an assortment of records, he's revived a stumbling franchise, and most of all, he is fortunate to have a lovely wife and three beautiful children. In retrospect, Gretzky has accomplished amazing feats, with the exception of bringing a Stanley Cup to the city of Los Angeles. But even this may be out of the "Great One's" reach because of the aging Kings' franchise. So really, Gretzky doesn't have too many feats left to conquer, so why risk further injury?

I think people are going to have to accept the fact that Wayne Gretzky will not continue to dominate the N.H.L. like he has in the past. Injuries do happen in the world of sports, and it's a shame that they have to happen to remarkable athletes such as the likes of Wayne Gretzky. In the event that Wayne Gretzky does retire, it will certainly be a difficult transition for both Wayne Gretzky and anyone he has influenced over his tenure in the N.H.L. He has not only raised the level of the game on the ice; but he has also been a great ambassador for the game off the ice. I am one of many fans of Wayne Gretzky that hopes he can possibly participate in a couple of more seasons, because in my opinion, you will never witness a more intriguing and gifted athlete in the N.H.L. again.

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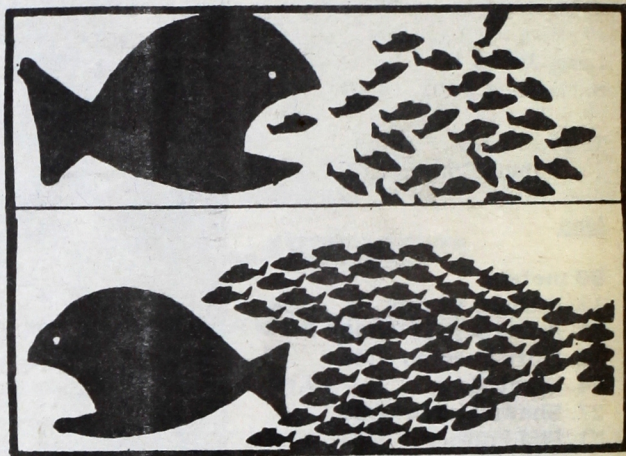
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Men's Intramural Basketball Game Scores and Current Standings

"A" DIVISION Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA
Italian Flyers	4	0	220	101
Huntington Hawks "A"	4	0	240	154
T.C.O.B.	2	1	214	108
Stew's Crew	2	2	185	134
The Northern Heat	1	2	172	151
Speed Demons	1	3	149	297
LOCS/EHCL	0	3	89	186
Redmen	0	3	88	226

"B" DIVISION Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	PTS
Rico's Raiders	3	0	181	101	6
Twist & Appeal	3	0	163	103	6
T-Birds	2	1	130	106	4
The Revivals	2	2	186	180	4
7th Floor Hounds	1	2	122	131	2
Engineers	1	1	58	107	2
M2nd	0	3	125	156	0
Huntington Hawks "B"	0	3	101	190	0

Intramural Hockey Standings As Of Wednesday, Dec. 2

"A" LEAGUE

TEAM	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	PCT	PTS
U.C. Unicorns	6	5	1	0	40	18	.833	10
Bruins	6	5	1	0	37	18	.833	10
U of S Stokers	6	4	1	1	34	18	.667	9
Engineering Sudsmen	7	4	3	0	36	19	.571	8
SSR Lightning	7	4	3	0	20	25	.571	8
PHED Stingers A	6	3	2	1	27	24	.500	7
Huntington Hawks	7	3	4	0	21	30	.429	6
AEF Flying Frogs	6	2	4	0	24	26	.333	4
LOCS A	6	1	5	0	11	27	.167	2
Engineering 2	7	0	7	0	14	61	.000	0
Engineers A	6	0	6	0	10	53	.000	0

TOP GOALIE: Chris Grant - UNICORNS

MOST IMPROVED PLAYER: Craig Glover - Huntington Hawks

PLAYER OF THE WEEK: Dave Dubuc

"B" LEAGUE

TEAM	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	PCT	PTS
LOCS B	6	5	0	1	31	12	.833	11
SSR Heat	6	5	1	0	38	13	.833	10
Rico Canucks	6	4	0	2	26	7	.667	10
T-Birds	6	3	2	1	20	19	.500	7
U of S Stokers B	6	3	2	1	19	18	.500	7
7th Floor Hounds	5	2	1	2	15	15	.400	6
Huntington Hawks B	7	2	4	1	14	24	.286	5
SSR Devils	5	2	3	0	19	20	.400	4
UC Raiders	7	1	6	0	15	42	.167	2
UC Thunder	7	0	7	0	13	42	.000	0

TOP GOALIE: Dean Goodman

MOST IMPROVED PLAYER: Tim Squirrel - UC HOUNDS

PLAYER OF THE WEEK: Darren Kaus



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